



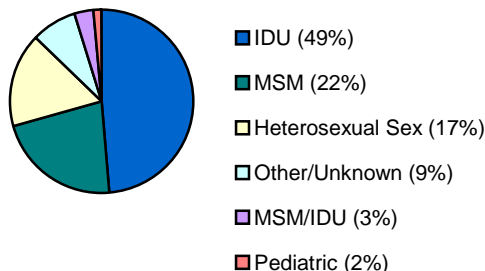
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HIV/AIDS Epidemic

Connecticut reported 13,464 cumulative AIDS cases to CDC as of December 2003.

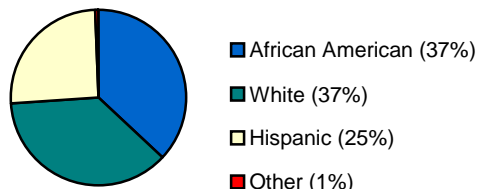
**Cumulative AIDS Diagnoses by
Mode of Exposure, through Dec. 2004**
N = 13,889

SOURCE: Connecticut Department of Public Health



**Cumulative AIDS Diagnoses by
Race/Ethnicity, through Dec. 2004**
N = 13,889

SOURCE: Connecticut Department of Public Health



Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

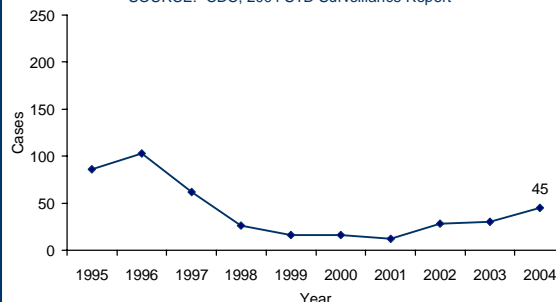
Syphilis

Primary and secondary (P&S) syphilis (the stages when syphilis is most infectious) remains a problem in the southern U.S. and in some urban areas. In Connecticut, the rate of P&S syphilis decreased 50% from 1995-2004.

- Connecticut ranked 28th among the 50 states with 1.3 cases of P&S syphilis per 100,000 persons.
- The number of congenital syphilis cases decreased from 6 in 1995 to 0 in 2004

**P&S Syphilis Cases in Connecticut,
1995-2004**

SOURCE: CDC, 2004 STD Surveillance Report



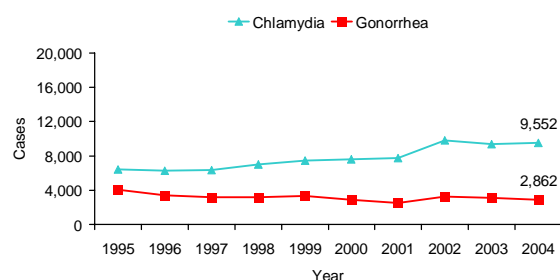
Chlamydia and Gonorrhea

Chlamydial and gonorrheal infections in women are usually asymptomatic and often go undiagnosed. Untreated, these infections can lead to pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), which can cause tubal infertility, ectopic pregnancy, and chronic pelvic pain.

- Connecticut ranks 36th among the 50 states in chlamydial infections (274.2 per 100,000 persons) and 28th in the rate of gonorrhea infections (82.2 per 100,000 persons).
- Rates of chlamydia among Connecticut women (412 cases per 100,000 females) were 3.2 times greater than those among Connecticut men (128.2 cases per 100,000 males).

**Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Cases in Connecticut,
1995-2004**

SOURCE: CDC, 2004 STD Surveillance Report

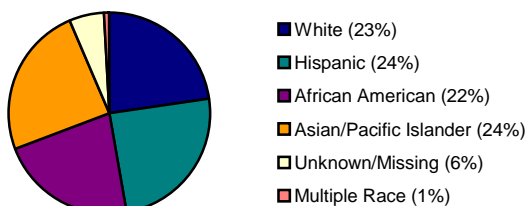


Tuberculosis

TB Cases by Race/Ethnicity, through 2003

N = 111

Source: CDC, 2003 TB Surveillance Report



Although rates of tuberculosis (TB) infection in the U.S. have declined substantially since 1992, rates among foreign-born persons continued to increase. In 2003, Connecticut reported

- ❑ The 28th highest rate of TB in the U.S.
- ❑ A total of 111 TB cases with 24% affecting Asian/Pacific Islanders and 24% affecting Hispanics. In all about 70% were among foreign-born persons.

Program Initiatives Supported by CDC

HIV/AIDS

The Connecticut Department of Public Health-AIDS Division works collaboratively with Concerned Citizens for Humanity (CCfH), a Hartford based non-profit organization specializing in community level intervention programs, to inform the public on key health issues like HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention. Through the design, development, and broad dissemination of culturally sensitive educational materials, the groups have reached hundreds of communities with cost-effective and targeted prevention messages to help reduce HIV infection rates in Connecticut.

National Center for HIV, STDs & TB Prevention Funding to Connecticut, 2005 (US\$)

HIV/AIDS	\$7,376,684
STDs	\$1,161,930
TB	\$717,559

Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

The STD Control Program (STDCP) provides STD/HIV screening, education, and risk reduction messages to high-risk communities throughout the state. STD screening is offered in public STD clinics, school-based health clinics, juvenile detention facilities and in other high-risk venues upon request. STDCP staff work with community-based organizations that serve men who have sex with men (MSM) in order to share information on the status of syphilis and other STDs within the Connecticut MSM community. Prevention, screening, and treatment information on syphilis and other STDs is distributed to venues where high-risk activities occur to inform MSM of available services.

Tuberculosis (TB)

As in previous years, certain groups continue to be at higher risk than the general population. These groups are: foreign-born; the homeless; the HIV infected; injection drug users; and race ethnic minorities.

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